GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:933
ANSWERED ON:25.11.2002
DELEGATION FOR WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large contingent of officials and NGOs from the country attended the World Summit at Johannesberg recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof including source of funding of the NGOs;

(c) whether there was any coordination amongst the officials and NGOs and any other private delegations from India; and

(d) if so, the extent thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b): The list containing names of the members of the official Indian Delegation including NGOs to the World Summit on Sustainable Development is at Annexure I. In addition to the members of official Indian delegation, services of a number of diplomats and other officers (Annexure II) were utilized to assist the Indian Delegation during the WSSD. All the members of the delegation including NGOs were funded by the Government of India.

(c) & (d): During the Summit, interaction was carried out with the NGOs on all the issues under negotiations. This close interaction helped the Delegation in coordinating Indian position on various cross-sectoral issues.

Annexure I

Annexure I referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 933 for 25th November, 2002 on `Delegation for World Summit on Sustainable Development`.

LIST OF OFFICIAL MEMBERS OF INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

H.E. Mr T .R. BAALU, Minister for Environment & Forests, Leader of the Delegation from 26 to 31 August 2002
H.E. Mr. Yashwant SINHA, Minister for External Affairs, Leader of the Delegation from 1-4 September 2002
Mr. Lakshman SINGH, Member of Parliament
Mr. Bikram Keshari DEO, Member of Parliament
Mr. Mohan DHARIA, Chairperson, Vanarai, Pune. (NGO)
Dr. Digvijay SINGH, Former Deputy Minister for Environment and Forests (Non-Official)
Mr. P.V JAYAKRISNAN, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Mr. K. SIBAL, Foreign Secretary
Mr. Vijay NAMBIAR, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative to the United Nations
Dr. Prodipto GHOSH, Additional Secretary, PMO
+Shri A. Gopinathan, Dy. Permanent Representative, PMI, New York
Ms Deepa Gopalan WADHWA, Joint Secretary (UNES), Ministry of External Affairs
Mr. Rajeev KHER, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Mr. S. VELUMANI, Private Secretary to the Minister for Environment and Forests
+Mr. Deepak KUMAR, Private Secretary to the Minister for External Affairs
Mr. K V. SARABHAI, Director, Centre for Environmental Education, Ahmedabad (NGO)
Ms. Sunita NARAIN, Director, Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi (NGO)
Mr. Manoj JOSHI, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Mr. S. K. Joshi, Director, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Mr. A. A. Rao, Dy. Press Information Officer attached to MoEF
+Ms. Divya Datt, TERI, New Delhi.

+ Did not participate.

Annexure II

Annexure II referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 933 for 25th November, 2002 on `Delegation for World Summit on Sustainable Development`.

LIST OF OTHER MEMBERS OF INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Mr. S.S. MUKHERJEE, High Commissioner to South Africa
Ms Primrose R. SHARMA, Consul General, Johannesburg
Mr. Ajit KUMAR, Consul General, Durban
Mr. Y.K. SINHA, Counsellor, Embassy, Abu Dhabi
Mr. N.K. SAXENA, Deputy High Commissioner, Pretoria
Ms. Vijay Thakur SINGH, Counsellor, Permanent Mission
Capt. V. SHANKAR, Defence AttachÃ¨, High Commission, Pretoria
Mr. R.K. JHA, Consul, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. Jagdish PARSHAD, First Secretary, High Commission
Mr. A. KAPUR, Consul, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. Mahinder KUMAR, Consul, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. A.K. SHARMA, Second Secretary, High Commission
Mr. A.P.S. CHAUHAN, Attache, High Commission
Mr. V.K. KUKREJA, Vice Consul, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. Anil KUMAR, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. A. BHASKAR, Consulate General, Johannesburg
Mr. Sandeep KUMAR, Diplomat, PS to Minister of External Affairs
Mr. Venu Rajamoni, OSD to External Affairs` Minister
Ms. Reva Ganguli Das, Director, Ministry of External Affairs